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VALE MORNING SITUATION REPORT FOR:08-21-03

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| NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL: | 5 | BAKER FIRE DANGER (352420-C) | E |
| REGIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL: | 4 | MALHEUR FIRE DANGER (353616) | V |
| VALE PREPAREDNESS LEVEL: | 4 | JORDAN FIRE DANGER (353612-A) | E |

BAKER RA:

No new fires

MALHEUR RA:

Birch Creek Rim Fire - M737, T27S, R43E, sec. 20. Fire is just above Birch Creek burning in grass and sage. Contained and Controlled 8/20 at 1800. Caused by lightning. 69 acres.

Rooster Comb Fire - M738, T26S, R44E, sec 5. Fire is just above Leslie Gulch across the Owyhee River burning in sage and grass. Type 2 organization is on the fire. Caused by lightning and burning actively at this time, approximately 2000 acres.

Star Mountain Fire - M739, T25S, R39E, sec 27. Fire is approximately 13 miles SE of Riverside. Contained on 8/20 at 1900. 173 acres.

JORDAN RA:

No new fires

COMMENTS:

1 employee is on the Robert Fire as a EQMG.
1 employee is on the MDC Support order in MT as an EQPI.
1 employee is at Northern Rockies CC in Montana as an EDSD.
2 employees are in MT as an HECM and an HECM (T).
1 employee is on the Umpqua Support order in OR as an IADP (T).
1 employee is on the Falcon Berry Fire in ID as an ORDM.
1 employee is on the Hall Fire in ID as an HRSP (T).
1 employee is on the Twin Lakes Fire in MT as a RCDM.
1 employee is on Lewistown Severity as a IADP (T).
2 employees are at the Togo fire as EQPM (T).
1 employee is at the Togo fire in WA as a DIVS
E437 and E429 are aiding the Boise National Forest
1 employee is on MT Large fire support as an IARR
Vale IHC is at the Togo fire in WA.
3 SRV Crews are on MT Large Fire Support
1 SRV Crew on preposition @ Okanogan-Wenatchee Forest.
1 SRV Crew on Robert Fire in MT
2 SRV Crews on ABC Misc Fire in ID
1 SRV Crew on the Beaver Lake Fire in ID
1 SRV Camp Crew on the Mineral-Prim Fire in MT
2 SRV Crews on the Withington Fire in ID

WEATHER:

Vale Weather: Partly Cloudy. Chance of rain showers.

Temp 79-86, Rh's 15-23%, Winds Ligh less than 10 mph, Haines 4(Low), LAL 1

Pendleton Weather: Mostly Sunny

Temps 86-92 Rh's 12-20%, Winds NW 3-6. Haines 4 (Low), LAL 1

DEFINITIONS:

LAL (Lightning Activity Level): A numerical rating from the lowest of 1 to the highest of

|6, keyed to the start of thunderstorms and the frequency and character of cloud-to-ground lightning forecasted or observed on a rating area during a rating period.

Haines Index: A national fire-weather index based on the stability and moisture content of the lower atmosphere and their direct relationship to the growth of large fires. The index is from 2-6 with 2 being the lowest potential for large fire growth while 6 is the highest large fire growth potential.
